

# COME IN

*Register for a class or camp!*



Jennifer Adkins (pictured above right) is an Administrative Assistant for Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation.

*Did you know?*

OVER 350 KIDS PARTICIPATED IN THE TALBOT YOUTH BASKETBALL LEAGUE. THERE WERE 8 GIRLS TEAMS AND 20 BOYS TEAMS IN THE 7-14 AGE DIVISIONS AND 9 TEAMS OF 3-6 YEAR OLDS.

OUR NEW SYNCHRONIZED ICE SKATING TEAM CAME IN FIRST PLACE AT THE SKATE ANNAPOLIS COMPETITION IN MARCH 2009.

NEW! FREE RECREATIONAL BIKE RIDES  
JOIN BIKEWALKTALBOT ON WEDNESDAYS AT 6 PM.  
BEGINNERS WELCOME.  
MEET AT BIKE DOCTOR ON MARLBORO.  
INFORMATION: 410-820-9107.

The Talbot County Department of Parks & Recreation would like to thank the Talbot County Council for their continued support and encouragement throughout the year. Thank you!



## TALBOT LEISURE

Talbot County Department of Parks & Recreation  
10028 Ocean Gateway • Easton, Maryland 21601

The definition of recreate is to impart fresh life to; refresh mentally or physically. A goal of ours as a Parks and Recreation department is to have you "impart that fresh life" by playing in our parks, taking a boat out from one of our landings, swimming in one of our pools, or enjoying the many water views we have to offer. Plan out your summer by visiting a different park or landing every weekend. You will be surprised to discover the many resources you have right in your own County without the expense of travel and lodging. Please keep and use this Talbot Leisure as a reference guide. Enjoy the summer!

# TALBOT LEISURE

AN EXCLUSIVE PUBLICATION OF THE TALBOT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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## STAY HOME AND PLAY

Take advantage of our resources in Talbot County.

## SPRING & SUMMER GUIDE

NEW classes include:  
Young Art, Hip Art,  
Rollerblading Fitness.

## GET OUT YOUR PADDLE

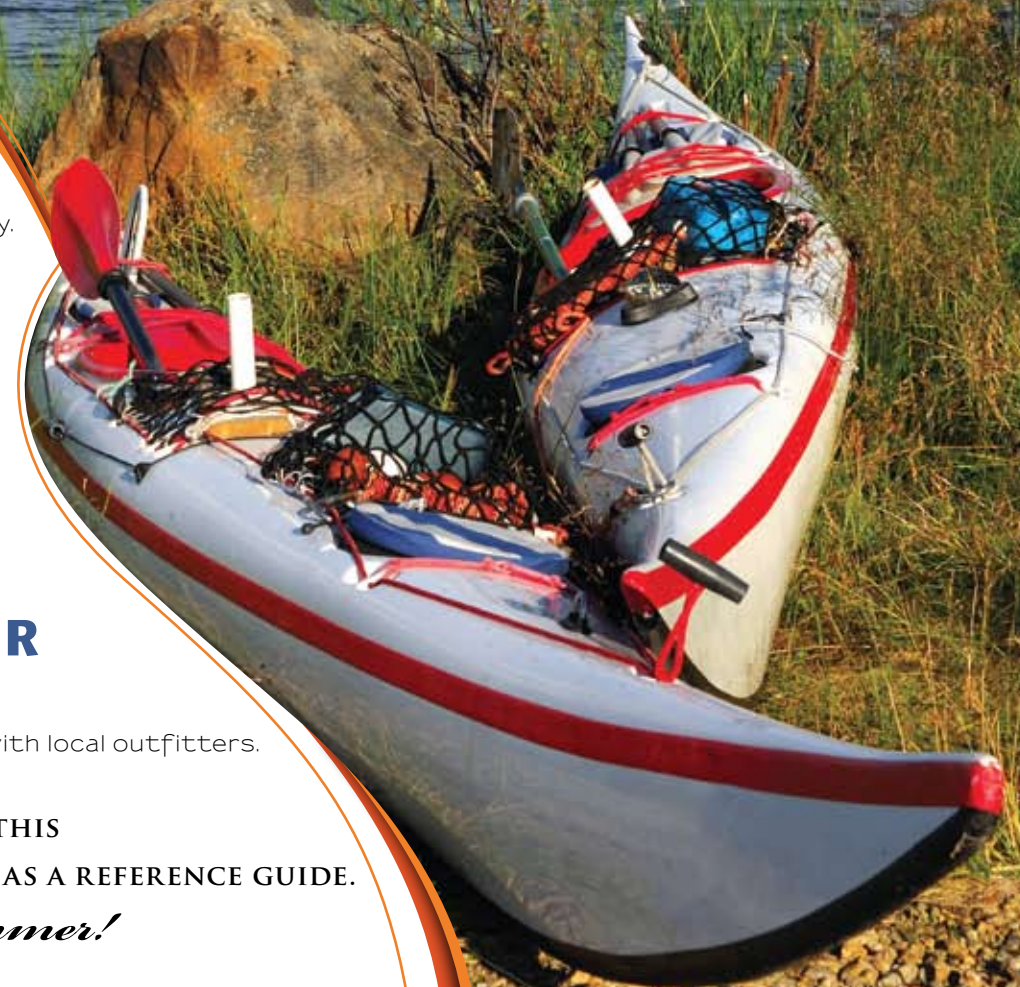
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*Enjoy the summer!*

2009 Spring & Summer





Play for fun, play for life.

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A green approach to leadership.

TALBOT LEISURE MAGAZINE IS CREATED BY THE TCDPR STAFF WITH EDITORIAL DESIGN BY LARISA CHEREWKO.



There may never have been a time in our County when having opportunities to lead an active and healthy lifestyle has been so important. Each of us may have been confronted this past winter season in some way with very difficult questions about politics, finances, personal obligations, and work issues. This may have seemed a longer winter. I personally encourage you to take time each week to enjoy the many offerings in our County to get out and play. This idea may sound a bit frivolous to some considering those many items we all seem to have nagging at us each day. Yet, stress is one of those things you can't see damaging your body, but it may still be there causing many of us real issues. Dealing with this stress can be as easy as taking a walk in your local park, playing catch with your children, or fishing with some friends. I encourage you to discover the local access you have to our facilities which are free to you as a resident. There has never been a better time to play than the times we live in today. There is no coincidence that our motto here at TCDPR is Play for Fun ... Play for Life.

*A Message from*  
**THE DIRECTOR**

### MAIN OFFICE

Talbot County Community Center  
10028 Ocean Gateway  
Easton, MD 21601

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm

### TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Community Center Main Office: 410.770.8050  
Programming/Activities: 410.770.8050  
Facilities/Center Manager: 410.770.6859  
Landings Office: 410.770.8047  
Parks Office: 410.770.6855  
Aquatics Office: 410.770.8049  
TTY: 410.822.8735  
Fax Line: 410.822.7107

# MEET RICK

## DIRECTOR OF PARKS & RECREATION

Many of you already know our Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation Director, Rick Towle, but what you may not know is Rick's leadership to the citizens of Talbot County. Rick is the driving force behind additional land acquired for recreational activities; the cleanliness of our Talbot Community Center; the new playground equipment, pavilions, tennis courts and exercise stations at our parks; and last but not least containment units concealing dumpsters, port-a-potties or oil at our landings. He has been instrumental in improving our parks and recreation programs by installing a solar-generated scoreboard at the George Murphy pool for the Talbot Swim Club,



investing in game tables and basketball hoops for our Summer Camp, and installing state-of-the art scoreboard, sound system and monitors for our ice programs. The success of his efforts is demonstrated through our growing programs like Jamie Webb Ice Hockey and Learn-to-Skate which received over 1,000 registrations to participate. In his spare time Rick coaches various sports including football, basketball, soccer and baseball. We hope you have a chance to meet Rick and encourage you to enjoy what Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation has to offer.

## Mission Statement

The Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation strives to provide activities, resources, and facilities that focus on supplemental educational, recreational, and cultural opportunities for all ages, leading to an active and healthy lifestyle. The Department understands that in order to fulfill its mission it must focus on customer service efforts towards promotion of health, preservation of open spaces, utilizing practices that are environmentally safe, and providing outstanding management of all facilities. These are the standards the Department operates by in order to provide the customer with the finest program on Maryland's eastern shore. Come and play Talbot style... for fun, for life!







# 2009 SPRING & SUMMER PROGRAMS

**Registration** FOR ALL PROGRAMS REQUIRE SIGN UP ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE OF THE START DATE UNLESS A SEPARATE DEADLINE IS PUBLISHED. SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR MOST PROGRAMS. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO QUALIFY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP, FOR ADDITIONAL PROGRAM INFORMATION OR FOR CLASS CHANGES OR CANCELLATIONS, PLEASE CONTACT US 410-770-8050 OR CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT [www.talbotparksandrec.com](http://www.talbotparksandrec.com)

## Youth Programs

### Young Art

An opportunity for your kids to get their hands dirty with projects like sand art, blow art, and recycled art.

**WHEN:** WEDNESDAYS APRIL 29 TO JUNE 3, 2009  
**TWO CLASSES:** 4:00-5:00 PM OR 5:00-6:00 PM  
**WHO:** CHILDREN AGES 4-6  
**WHERE:** TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER  
**FEE:** \$50 FOR 6 CLASSES  
**INSTRUCTOR:** TAMMY PARKS



### Creative Play

A new opportunity for your young children to interact with other kids, play games, listen to music, and dance. You may take pilates, or walk around the Community Center. Sign up for 6 classes either both days for 3 weeks or one day for 6 weeks.

**WHEN:** TUESDAYS OR THURSDAYS 9:30-10:30 AM  
**WHO:** CHILDREN AGES 6 MONTHS TO 5 YEARS OLD  
**WHERE:** TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER  
**CLASSES:** SESSION I  
TUESDAYS (3/24 - 5/5, 2009)  
THURSDAYS (3/19 - 5/7, 2009)  
(NO CLASSES APRIL 9, 14, AND 16)  
SESSION II  
TUESDAYS (5/12 - 6/16, 2009)  
THURSDAYS (3/24 - 6/18, 2009)  
**FEE:** \$20 FOR 6 CLASSES (\$5 DROP-IN RATE PER CLASS)  
50% DISCOUNT FOR SIBLINGS  
**INSTRUCTOR:** NICOLE CHANEY

### Hip Art

Hip and fun art projects including collage, mosaic and secret books.

**WHEN:** THURSDAYS APRIL 30 TO JUNE 4, 2009  
4:15-5:15 PM  
**WHO:** CHILDREN AGES 7-11  
**WHERE:** TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER  
**FEE:** \$50 FOR 6 CLASSES  
**INSTRUCTOR:** KENDALL SCHWARTZ



### Ballet

Ballet for young children. Please wear a leotard with tights and ballet shoes.

**WHEN:** MARCH 18TH TO MAY 18TH  
(NO CLASSES APRIL 13TH)  
**MONDAYS:** AGE 3 4:30 - 5:15 PM  
AGE 4 5:15 - 6:00 PM  
**WEDNESDAYS:** AGE 4 4:30 - 5:15 PM  
AGES 5-10 5:15 - 6:00 PM  
**WHERE:** DOBSON ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA  
**FEE:** \$60 FOR 8 CLASSES  
**INSTRUCTOR:** ALICE FORD



### Tennis

Group tennis lessons are offered at two locations

**WHERE:** EASTON - IDLEWILD PARK TENNIS COURTS  
**WHEN:** FRIDAYS, APRIL 24 - JUNE 5 (NO CLASS ON 5/22)  
4:15 - 4:45 PM AGES 5-6  
4:45 - 5:45 PM AGES 7-11 (UP TO 5TH GRADE)  
OR  
**WHERE:** ST. MICHAELS HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS  
**WHEN:** SATURDAYS, APRIL 25 - JUNE 6 (NO CLASS ON 5/23)  
12:00 - 12:30 PM AGES 5-6  
12:30 - 1:30 PM AGES 7-11 (UP TO 5TH GRADE)  
**FEE:** \$30 FOR SIX 30 MINUTE CLASSES (AGES 5-6)  
\$60 FOR SIX 60 MINUTE CLASSES (AGES 7-11)  
**INSTRUCTOR:** SUSAN CLAGGETT



### Girls' Talbot Field Hockey

Registration June 1 to August 11, 2009. Mandatory Pre-Season Clinic 8/11/09. Pool party for all participants on 8/18/09 from 7-9 pm at the George Murphy Pool. [www.talbotfieldhockey.com](http://www.talbotfieldhockey.com)

**SENIORS:** GRADES 6, 7, 8  
PRACTICE 2 TIMES PER WEEK  
**JUNIORS:** GRADES 3, 4, 5  
PRACTICE 1/2 TIMES PER WEEK  
**STARTERS:** GRADES 1, 2  
PRACTICES ON SATURDAYS  
**WHERE:** EASTON ELEMENTARY - MOTON  
**GAMES:** SATURDAYS 9/12 - 10/31  
**FEE:** \$55 FOR SENIORS AND JUNIORS  
\$30 FOR STARTERS

## Adult Programs

### Pilates

Pilates is a unique movement system designed to work groups of muscles simultaneously. You will increase core strength and flexibility while improving your posture. This form of exercise will transform your body without adding bulk. Please bring a mat to class.

**WHEN:** TUESDAYS AND/OR THURSDAYS 9:30-10:30 AM  
**WHO:** ADULTS  
**WHERE:** TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER  
**FEE:** \$3 PER CLASS  
**INSTRUCTOR:** CATHERINE RUST



# For Youth & Adults

## Rollerblading Fitness

World top-ranked speed skating instructor takes his skills outside of the rink. Get fit and improve your rollerblading skills.

- WHEN:** THURSDAYS APRIL 30 (ON-GOING THROUGH THE SUMMER)  
PLEASE CHECK OUR WEB SITE FOR CANCELLATIONS.
- WHO:** ADULTS 7:00-8:00 AM  
CHILDREN ALL AGES 5:00-6:00 PM
- WHERE:** TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER PARKING LOT
- FEE:** \$5 PER CLASS (PUNCH CARDS AVAILABLE)
- INSTRUCTOR:** CHRIS CALLIS



## Karate

The order of Isshin-Ryu Karate is a true martial art designed specifically for combat. Classes stress physical fitness, self confidence, self control, moral character and self defense. This is an on-going program where new participants of any age are welcome to join any time of the year. Register at the class.

- WHEN:** TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM 6 PM TO 8 PM
- WHO:** ADULTS AND YOUTH
- LOCATION:** EASTON MIDDLE SCHOOL
- FEE:** \$30/MONTH FOR 1 INDIVIDUAL  
\$40/MONTH FOR 2 FAMILY MEMBERS  
\$45/MONTH FOR 3 OR MORE FAMILY MEMBERS

## Camps

### ACADEMY INTERNATIONAL GIRLS LACROSSE CAMP

[www.academyinternational.net](http://www.academyinternational.net)

- AGES:** 7-17 YEARS OLD
- LOCATION:** EASTON HIGH SCHOOL
- DATE:** AUGUST 3-7TH
- HOURS:** 9AM - 12:00 NOON
- FEE:** \$190

### YOUTH SOCCER CAMP

[www.uksocca.com](http://www.uksocca.com)

- LOCATION:** TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER
- DATE:** JULY 13 - JULY 17
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| <b>AGES: 4-5</b>  | 9:00AM - 10:30AM | \$75  |
| <b>AGES: 6-16</b> | 9:00AM - NOON    | \$110 |

### SUMMER CAMP

June 22 to August 7, 2009 from 8:00 am – 6:00 pm at Easton High School for Talbot County kids K-8th grade. \$40 per week with a \$10 field trip fee each week. This camp is full, but we are accepting registrations for wait list.

### MULTI SPORTS CAMP

Enjoy a wide range of sports.

[www.united.socceracademy.com](http://www.united.socceracademy.com)

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| <b>FEE/TIMES:</b> | <b>AGES 5-7 YRS OLD, 9:00AM - 1:00PM</b>  | <b>\$160</b> |
| <b>AGES:</b>      | <b>AGES 7-14 YRS OLD, 9:00AM - 3:00PM</b> | <b>\$180</b> |
| <b>DATE:</b>      | <b>WEEK OF JULY 6-10TH</b>                |              |
| <b>LOCATION:</b>  | <b>TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER</b>            |              |

### SOFTBALL CAMP

Two day Pitching and Catching    One Day All Positions Camp

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| <b>DATE:</b> JUNE 29 & 30                | <b>DATE:</b> JULY 1     |
| <b>TIME:</b> 9AM - NOON                  | <b>TIME:</b> 9AM - 3PM  |
| <b>FEE:</b> \$80                         | <b>FEE:</b> \$80        |
| <b>LOCATION:</b> TALBOT COMMUNITY CENTER | <b>\$150 FOR 3 DAYS</b> |
- ITEMS TO BRING:** Glove, catching equipment, cleats, tennis shoes  
water bottle, snack, lunch for all day camp.

# Aquatics

## Learn to Swim

Session 1: June 15 - June 25    Session 2: June 29 - July 9  
Session 3: July 13 - July 23    Session 4: July 27 - August 6  
Registration Begins May 18th, 2008

- WHEN:** MONDAY - THURSDAY
- WHERE:** CLASSES ARE OFFERED AT EACH POOL.
- LEVEL 1:** WATER EXPLORATION 9:30AM - 10:00AM
- LEVEL 2:** PRIMARY SKILLS 10:00AM - 10:30AM
- LEVEL 3:** STROKE READINESS 10:30AM - 11:00AM
- LEVEL 4:** INFANT AND TODDLER 11:00AM - 11:30AM
- FEE:** \$30 FOR 1ST FAMILY MEMBER, \$25 EACH ADD.

### GEORGE P. MURPHY COMMUNITY POOL

510 Port Street  
Easton, MD 21601  
Located at the corner of  
Port St. and Easton Bypass  
Telephone: 410.820.7306

### BAY HUNDRED COMMUNITY POOL

911 South Talbot Street  
St. Michaels, MD 21663  
Located at Talbot St. &  
Seymour Ave. in St. Michaels  
Telephone: 410.745.6592

### 2009 PUBLIC HOURS

May 23th – September 7  
Sunday – Saturday  
12:00pm to 7:00pm

### DAILY ADMISSION FEES

Youth (3ys- 17yrs)	\$2.00
Adult (over 18)	\$3.00
Senior (65yrs & over)	\$2.00
2yrs and under	Free

### SEASON MEMBERSHIP

Youth Season Pass	\$65.00
Adult Season Pass	\$85.00
Sr. Season Pass	\$65.00
Family of 4	\$150.00

(Each Add. member \$25.)  
Applications available at the pool front desks or online.



## Talbot Swim Club

Talbot Swim Club (TSC), a summer swim team, welcomes all swimmers between the ages of 5 and 18. Practice begins on June 1, 2009 at the George Murphy pool. The team participates in competitive swim meets in the Delmarva area through the month of July. Registration for new families will be from April 13-May 8, 2009. There will be a swim clinic held May 18-21 and May 26-29 from 4-6 pm. Deadline for the clinic is May 18, 2009. [www.talbotswim.org](http://www.talbotswim.org)

**AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS** Discount tickets available to all amusement parks. Please check our website for a listing of the parks.

**PRIVATE POOL RENTAL** Pools are available for rental after regular public hours, 7pm-9pm, or prior to opening on Saturday or Sunday 9am-11am. Please call the pool for more info.

**ROOM/FACILITY RENTAL** The Talbot Community Center has several meeting rooms and facilities, which can accommodate most events or occasions. We offer the option to use our snack bar services at an additional charge. Folding chairs and 8-foot rectangular tables are available for use. If you are a non-profit organization, please inquire about our approved rental rates.

**GRANTS** The Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation is most fortunate to receive and greatly appreciates grants that are presented for youth activity by the Talbot County Arts Council, Inc. and the Talbot County Health Department Tobacco Restitution Fund.

The Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation provides all of its programs on a first come, first serve basis. Payment is required to be fully registered one week in advance of the start date of the program. We reserve the right to require minimum and maximum participant levels, to cancel or reschedule a class/activity, and to not permit reimbursements once a program/class has begun.





# PERRY CABIN

## PARK & SPORTS COMPLEX

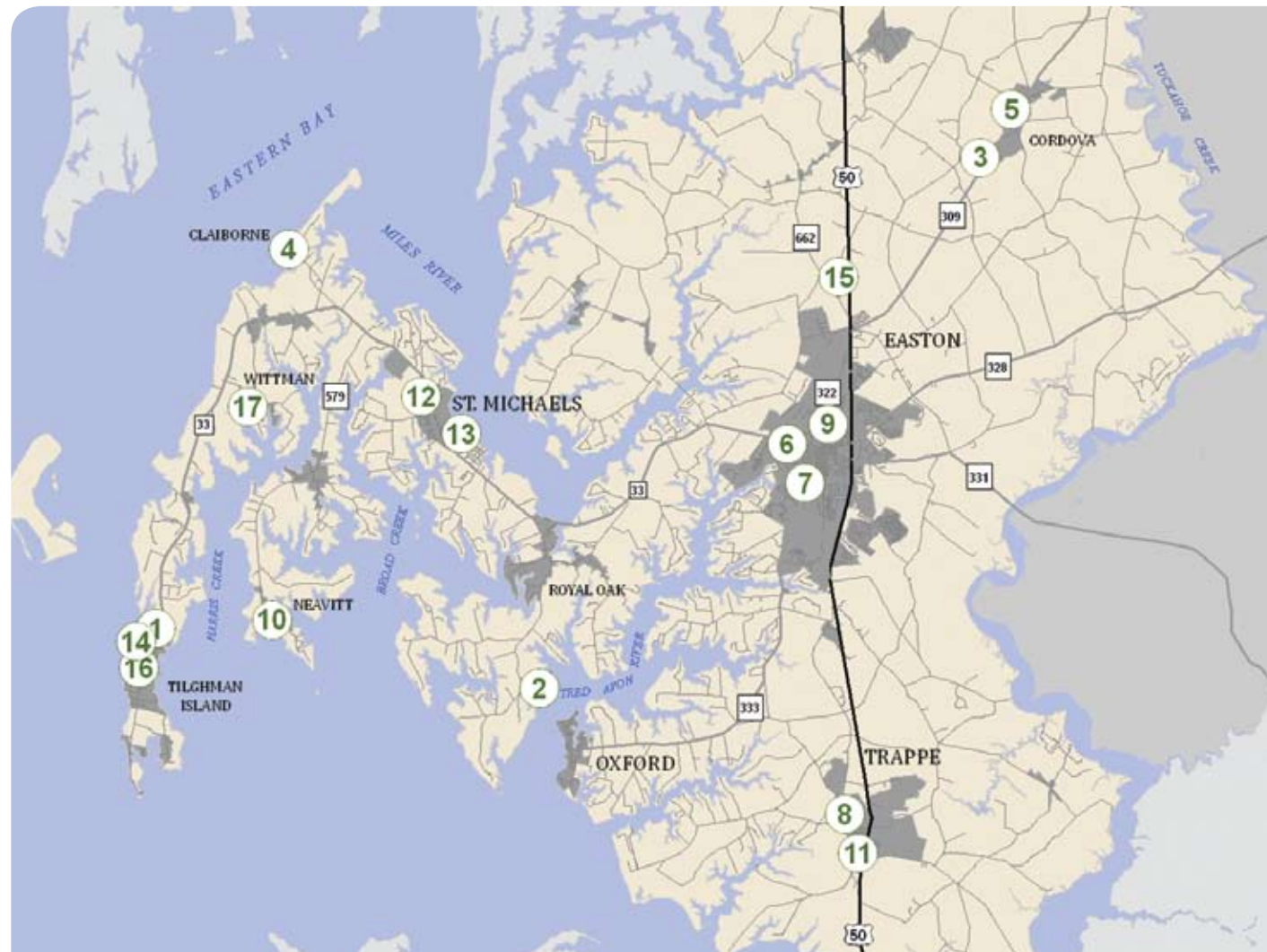
710 NORTH TALBOT STREET  
ST. MICHAELS, MARYLAND

FEATURES: playground,  
concession stand, pavilion,  
picnic tables, sport fields,  
basketball court

If you're looking for a great place to take the kids on an outing then visit our Perry Cabin Park and Sports Complex. There is a fenced-in playground, concession stand, basketball court and open fields to throw a frisbee or fly a kite. Recently, the ditchline bordering the property was cleaned up for safety and environmental reasons. Upcoming improvements will be new dugouts, back stop, fencing, and benches for the ball fields. Also, the parking lot will be re-paved this summer. Please come spend an afternoon at our park.



## Talbot County Parks



1 **BACK CREEK COMMUNITY PARK**  
6204 Tilghman Island Road, Tilghman  
FEATURES: playground, pavilion, grills,  
walking trail, lookout deck,  
kayak launch

2 **BELLEVUE COMMUNITY PARK**  
5536 Bellevue Road, Bellevue  
FEATURES: playground, basketball  
court, pavilion, boat launch,  
ferry access, water view

3 **CHAPEL DISTRICT ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL SPORTS COMPLEX**  
11430 Cordova Road, Cordova  
FEATURES: sport fields

4 **CLAIBORNE JETTY  
WATERFRONT PARK**  
10500 Bayside Drive, Claiborne  
FEATURES: water view

5 **CORDOVA COUNTRY PARK**  
31028 Skipton Cordova Road, Cordova  
FEATURES: playground, pavilion, walking  
trail, grills, sport fields, tennis courts,  
exercise stations, picnic area,  
concession stand

6 **EASTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-  
DOBSON CAMPUS**  
305 Glenwood Ave, Easton  
FEATURES: playground, basketball  
court, sport fields

7 **EASTON MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SPORTS COMPLEX**  
201 Peachblossom Road, Easton  
FEATURES: sport fields

8 **HOME RUN BAKER SPORTS  
COMPLEX**  
4200 Main Street, Trappe  
FEATURES: sport fields, walking trail,  
exercise stations, concession stand

9 **MT. PLEASANT ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL PRACTICE AREA**  
12 Magnolia Street, Easton  
FEATURES: sport fields

10 **NEAVITT COMMUNITY PARK**  
6350 Bozman Neavitt Road, Neavitt  
FEATURES: playground, pavilion, fire pit

11 **OLDE TRAPPE COMMUNITY PARK**  
3924 Main Street, Trappe  
FEATURES: playground, sport fields

12 **PERRY CABIN PARK &  
SPORTS COMPLEX**  
710 N. Talbot Street, St. Michaels  
FEATURES: playground, pavilion, sport  
fields, concession stand

13 **SEYMOUR AVENUE  
WATERFRONT PARK**  
750 Seymour Ave, St. Michaels  
FEATURES: benches, water view

14 **SINCLAIR AVENUE  
WATERFRONT PARK**  
21350 Sinclair Ave, Tilghman  
FEATURES: benches, water view

15 **TALBOT COUNTY COMMUNITY  
CENTER SPORTS COMPLEX**  
10028 Ocean Gateway, Easton  
FEATURES: playground, sport fields,  
concession stand

16 **TILGHMAN ISLAND  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
21374 Foster Ave, Tilghman  
FEATURES: playground, tennis courts,  
basketball courts, sport fields

17 **WITTMAN COMMUNITY PARK**  
8800 Howeth Road, Wittman  
FEATURES: playground, basketball (half  
court), sport fields, pavilion, grills





# OAK CREEK LANDING

26000 ST. MICHAELS ROAD  
NEWCOMB, MARYLAND



LANDINGS FOCUS

When you're driving on Route 33 to St. Michaels, as you cross the bridge to Newcomb, you may not have noticed the new public park under construction. For years Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation has provided public access for boating, fishing, and crabbing at this facility.

In 2008, we acquired additional land at this location, which will be developed as a waterfront park with walking paths and benches. The old red building was removed to create open space and improve the water view. The park will be augmented with mulched flower beds. Plan a visit to Oak Creek Landing this summer to launch your kayak or canoe and even fish at the pier below the bridge.

*Did you know?*

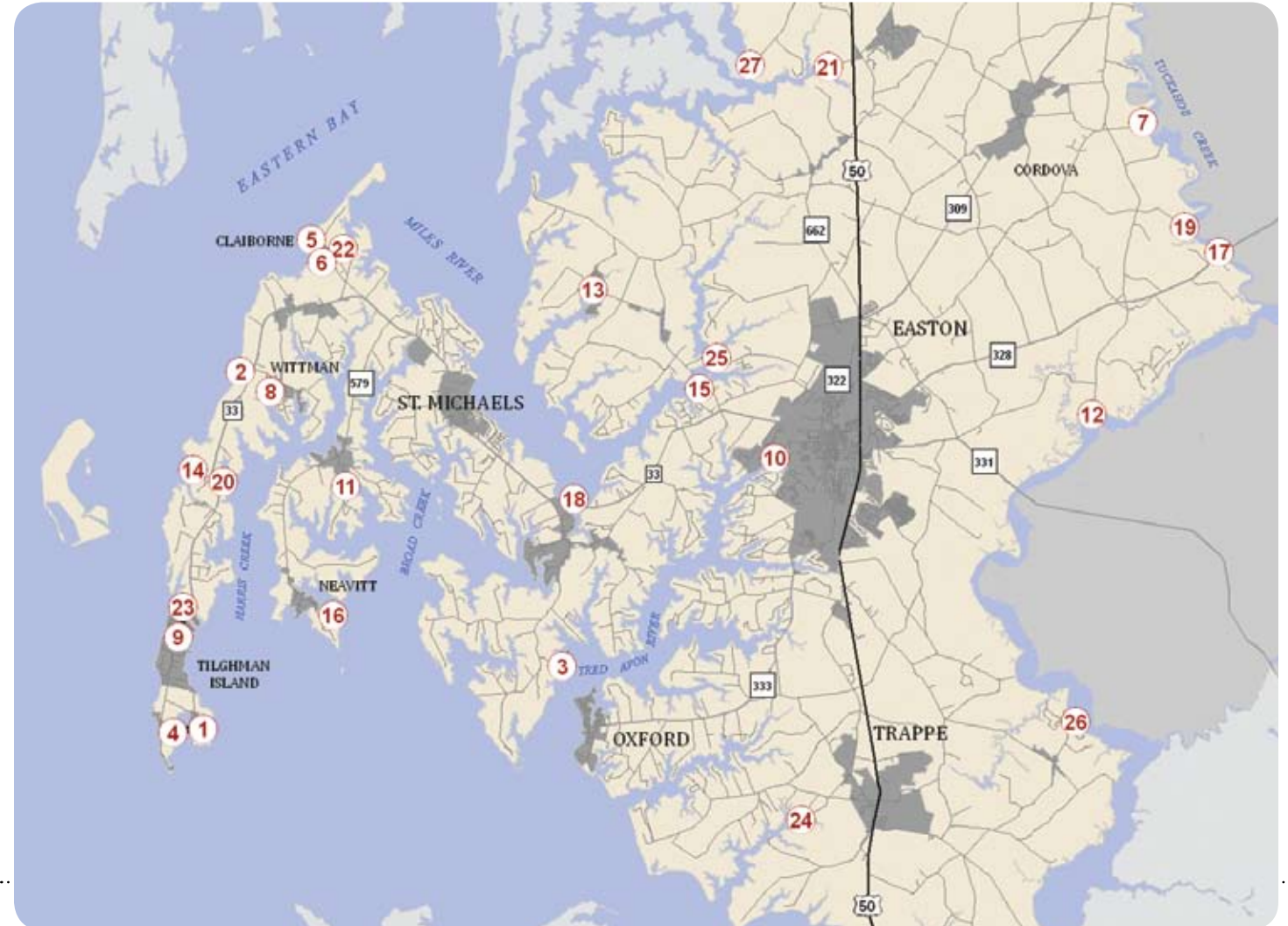
43%  
OF TALBOT  
COUNTY'S 477  
SQUARE MILES IS  
water!

TALBOT COUNTY  
OWNS AND MAINTAINS  
27 PUBLIC  
landings!

THERE ARE 605 MILES OF  
shoreline IN TALBOT COUNTY!

# Talbot County Landings

- |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| 1 <b>BAR NECK LANDING</b> - Tilghman<br>21560 Bar Neck Cove Road, Tilghman      | 10 <b>EASTON POINT LANDING</b> - Easton<br>100 Port Street, Easton           | 19 <b>REESE'S LANDING</b> - Cordova<br>33000 Reeses Landing Road, Cordova    |
| 2 <b>BAYSHORE ROAD</b> - Wittman<br>22150 Bayshore Road, Wittman                | 11 <b>GRACE CREEK LANDING</b> - Bozman<br>23350 Bozman Landing Road, Bozman  | 20 <b>SHERWOOD PIER</b> - Sherwood<br>22000 Sherwood Landing, Sherwood       |
| 3 <b>BELLEVUE LANDING</b> - Bellevue<br>5536 Bellevue Road, Royal Oak           | 12 <b>KINGSTON LANDING</b> - Kingston<br>8450 Kingston Landing               | 21 <b>SKIPTON CREEK</b> - Skipton<br>28900 Skipton Landing Road, Cordova     |
| 4 <b>BLACK WALNUT COVE</b> - Fairbank<br>Wharf<br>4800 Fairbanks Road, Tilghman | 13 <b>LEEDS CREEK</b> - Tunis Mills<br>Tunis Mills                           | 22 <b>TILGHMAN CREEK</b> - Claiborne<br>23400 Cockey Road, St. Michaels      |
| 5 <b>CLAIBORNE JETTY</b><br>10500 Bayside, Claiborne                            | 14 <b>LOWES WHARF</b> - Sherwood<br>21700 Lowes Wharf Road, Sherwood         | 23 <b>TONGERS BASIN</b> - Tilghman<br>21500 Tongers Basin Road, Tilghman     |
| 6 <b>CLAIBORNE LANDING</b> - Claiborne<br>Claiborne                             | 15 <b>MILES RIVER BRIDGE</b> - Miles River<br>8850 Unionville Road, Easton   | 24 <b>TRAPPE LANDING</b> - Trappe<br>3800 Trappe Landing Road, Trappe        |
| 7 <b>COVEY'S LANDING</b> - Cordova<br>32550 Coveys Landing Road                 | 16 <b>NEAVITT LANDING</b> - Neavitt<br>6151 Long Point Road, Neavitt         | 25 <b>VILLA ROAD LANDING</b> - Glebe Creek<br>26209 Tunis Mills Road, Easton |
| 8 <b>CUMMINGS CREEK LANDING</b><br>Wittman<br>8700 Howeth Road, Wittman         | 17 <b>NEW BRIDGE LANDING</b> - Rt 328<br>10300 Tuckahoe Landing Road, Easton | 26 <b>WINDY HILL LANDING</b> - Bruceville<br>4950 Windy Hill Road, Trappe    |
| 9 <b>DOGWOOD HARBOR</b> - Tilghman<br>21481 Dogwood Harbor, Tilghman            | 18 <b>OAK CREEK LANDING</b> - Newcomb<br>26000 St. Michaels Road, Newcomb    | 27 <b>WYE LANDING</b> - Wye Mills<br>12500 Wye Landing Road, Wye Mills       |





## Why Travel TO ANOTHER COUNTY, STATE OR COUNTRY WHEN YOU CAN FIND ENJOYMENT AT LITTLE TO NO COST RIGHT HERE IN TALBOT COUNTY?

CATHERINE RUST INTERVIEWS OUR COUNTY'S TRAVEL EXPERT, DEBBIE DODSON.

**CATHERINE: IN THIS CURRENT ECONOMIC DOWNTURN, DO YOU BELIEVE WE HAVE AFFORDABLE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO OFFER RESIDENTS OF TALBOT COUNTY?**

**DEBBIE:** Talbot County offers a wealth of outdoor recreational opportunities for residents and visitors alike. Fourteen water trails are available to paddlers to explore around Tilghman Island and St. Michaels, designed for beginners to the expert. In May, we will launch a new bicycle map with six themed trails – School Days, Joust Maryland, Talbot Farmland, Chesapeake Views, Oxford/St. Michaels and Cemetery Quest. Pack a picnic, get out and pedal or paddle our trails and enjoy the picturesque waterscapes and landscapes throughout the county. The Easton Rails to Trails is perfect for a nice morning or afternoon walk or pedal. If you own a boat, the County has a great inventory of landings. For the non-boat

owners, fishing charter captains, sailboat captains, and cruise boat captains offer great opportunities and great prices. One of our hospitality business owners spent a full week vacationing with their family in Talbot County – experiencing the same activities they recommended to the guests daily and later reported it was the most fun vacation their family shared in years.

**CATHERINE: WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE PLACES TO REVEAL TO SOMEONE NEW TO THE AREA?**

**DEBBIE:** Our cultural treasures are among my favorite places: The Academy Art Museum, the Avalon Theatre, the Historical Society of Talbot County, the Oxford Museum, and the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, St. Michaels Museum at St. Mary's Square, Phillips Wharf Environmental Center, Pickering Creek Environmental Center and the new Tilghman Island Waterman's Museum. Dogwood Harbour is a perfect place to watch waterman come in from their day's catch and they enjoy talking with visitors.

**CATHERINE: WHAT TYPES OF ACTIVITIES WOULD YOU RECOMMEND FOR INDIVIDUALS?**

**DEBBIE:** From concerts to food and heritage festivals, there is always something for people to do. Our season typically kicks off with the St. Michaels Food and Wine Festival and throughout the year cultural and heritage events, cruises, eco-tours, music in parks, lighthouse tours, sport fishing, art gallery walks, art exhibits, and celebrations take place. The Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum campus has ten exhibit buildings, the 1879 Hooper

Strait Lighthouse, a gift shop, bandstand, and 18 acres of spectacular views of the water. Catch a sunset from Oxford, St. Michaels, or Black Walnut Point – they are spectacular. The Oxford Bellevue Ferry is a must!

**CATHERINE: WHAT TYPES OF ACTIVITIES WOULD YOU RECOMMEND FOR FAMILIES?**

**DEBBIE:** Bicycling, tour the museums, getting out on the water either with an eco tour or sailing cruise, or narrated historic tour. Catch a show at the Avalon Theatre or bring a chair and join in the fun during their outdoor street concerts in the summer. Watch an outdoor movie. Enjoy a traditional crab feast at one of the waterfront restaurants. Create a family tradition of your own – like an annual fishing trip. Tour Popular Island. Don't miss out on the fun at the Tilghman Island Seafood Food Festival, Chesapeake Folklore Festival, the Waterfowl Festival, the Chesapeake Film Festival, Oxford Days – all great events packed full of fun activities. Look into the sleep over opportunities at the Hooper Strait Lighthouse. Begin a sea glass collection. Bring your dog to the St. Michaels Goes to the Dog walk – its great fun!

**CATHERINE: WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS?**

**DEBBIE:** The Talbot County Office of Tourism offers a number of brochures – The Talbot County Destination Guide, The Talbot County Shopping Guide, The Cultural Treasures of Talbot County brochure, the Tilghman Island Water Trails Map, the St. Michaels Water Trails Map, the Talbot County Bicycle Map (available in late May), and a full detailed website at [tour-talbot.org](http://tour-talbot.org) where the brochures can be downloaded.



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You can kayak to a sandy beach from Trappe Landing or take advantage of a small beach area at Skipton or Claiborne. Access the Miles River under the draw bridge to three forks of the Miles River: Glebe Creek, Goldsborough Creek and headwaters of the Miles River. When kayaking in Tilghman Island you may stop by our Back Creek Park at high tide. Enjoy the beautiful waterways and view our native wildlife including great blue herons, bald eagles, and ospreys.



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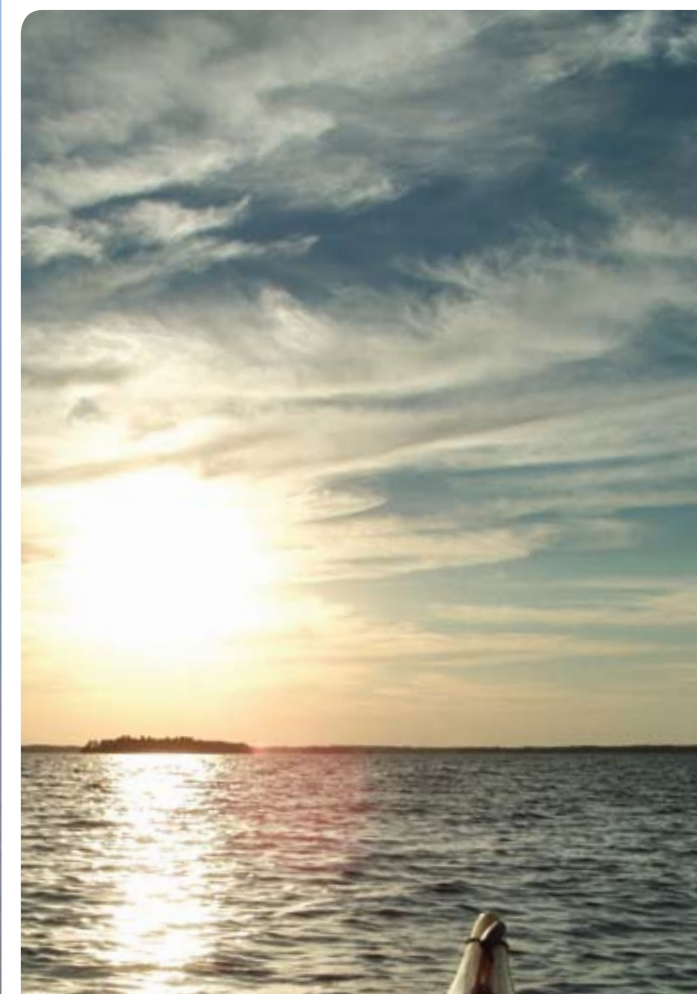
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Additional facility space is positive news along with the exciting programs and activities planned for these facilities. Both organizations wish to engage youth in meaningful programs and activities, and provide opportunities for adults.

The YMCA's 9,200 square foot expansion will include not only a dedicated Teen and Family Center, but also additional space to offer older adult programs.

The Center will include:

- CLIMBING WALL
- COOKING STUDIO
- MEDIA CENTER/COMPUTER LAB
- MUSIC STUDIO



The Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation's proposed addition will potentially include:

- GYM SPACES FOR INDOOR SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES
- WALKING TRACK
- FITNESS ROOM
- STUDIO SPACE
- CONFERENCE ROOMS

The YMCA and Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation join forces each year with the Town of Easton Parks and Recreation to run a Talbot Youth Basketball League with 350 participants. The gym space available in Talbot County is at full capacity.

The planned addition to the Talbot Community Center will enable growth within basketball and other programs.

The YMCA will break ground with their new addition as early as this summer while the expansion of the Talbot Community Center is hopeful to commence in 2010. Our youth currently can take ice skating lessons, play indoor soccer, participate in summer camps and much more. Talbot County residents can begin to look forward to participating in more fun-filled options offered by both organizations in state-of-the-art facilities.



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Talbot County Government has always strived to be a leader in the area of Parks and Recreation. One area of leadership is our "green" approach. Talbot County Department of Parks and Recreation recently received a state-wide award for Environmental and Innovative Design from our partners at the Maryland Parks and Recreation Association. There are over 300 parks and recreation departments in Maryland which compete for this award annually. Listed below are

examples of our "green" efforts. Our design of the waste oil containment units located in several of our facilities was featured in our winter edition of Talbot Leisure. We plan to provide more information on "green" efforts on our web site, which include information from this featured article. We can be proud of our desire to be a leader and our efforts as a community living on the Chesapeake Bay that our "green" design has set us apart as a leader in our great State of Maryland.

Waste Oil collection units at Dogwood Harbor, Bellevue and Neavitt Landing.

Vegetable Cooking Oil at our Talbot County Community Center concessions stand is recycled as fuel.

Geothermic Wells heat and cool the Talbot County Community Center each day. Carry In Carry out policies are used in many of our facilities to reduce litter.

Several departmental sites have recycling "igloos" that are free to the public.

Solar powered score boards help teams keep accurate records at Perry Cabin Park.

Recycled tires are used in tread spread mulch at Seymour Avenue Waterfront Park.

Native grasses are planted in beds under our signs at facilities.

We recycle port a pot waste from our landings and parks at the Talbot County Bio- solid waste treatment facility.

## For Additional Information

### TALBOT COUNTY ATHLETIC GROUPS

**EASTON SHORE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION (ESHA)** Kim Bryan 410.819.8584

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### TALBOT COUNTY PUBLIC LANDINGS & RAMP PERMITS

Any person using a Talbot County Public Boat Ramp for launching or removing a vessel with a boat trailer shall display a valid Talbot County Landing ramp sticker (issued annually). Parking a boat trailer at a County Landing also requires a valid sticker.

The sticker shall be displayed in the following places: **BOAT TRAILER** - drive side tongue, 1 ft. from the hitch. **VEHICLE** - drive side rear bumper if a permit/sticker holder has multiple boats/trailers, it is recommended to display the sticker on the vehicle.

Cost is \$20. Boat ramp stickers may be purchased at the following vendors. Please call the vendor for days and hours.

**ANGLER'S SPORTS CENTER** 1456 Whitehall Rd. Annapolis - 410.757.3442 and 410.974.4013

**BIG AL'S SEAFOOD** 7419 Back St., St. Michaels - 410.745.2637

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Be sure to pick up the Talbot County Public Landings User Guide when you purchase your permit. Rules and regulations are listed in the guide.

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